

The Column



EVERY TEACHER TO EVERY PARENT

"I thank you for lending me your little child today. All the years of love and care and training which you have given him have stood him in good stead every hour. I send him home tonight, I hope a little taller, a little stronger, a little freer, a little nearer his goal. Lend him to me tomorrow. In my care of him I shall show my gratitude."

Ethel E. Holmes

Sept. 1946

WELCOME TEACHERS ONE AND ALL!

To the new teachers as well as the old, we greet you to the educational forces of Clatsop County. May 1946-47 be a happy useful year with us. Don't hesitate to ask questions of any of the old teachers, board members or of this office. We are glad to assist you. Cooperation will be our watchword this year and we must fulfill this obligation in teaching our future Americans.

COMPULSORY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE:

Children between the ages of six and eighteen years are required to attend school or until graduated from high school. Physically handicapped children if capable of instruction are entitled to home instruction provided by the school district.

Have you checked to see that all children of your district are attending school? It may take some persuasion and explaining to convince Johnny and his parents that an education is the best investment they can make.

SCHOOL CENSUS:

School census will be taken by your school clerk the latter part of October. Kindly aid your Clerk and this office by securing the information asked for on the enrollment blanks. The age is four to twenty regardless whether they are married, persons not attending school, those attending school elsewhere or boys away in military service who are within that age. It is very necessary that the age and date of birth be correct.

HEALTH:

All teachers must make a physical inspection of all pupils the first part of school. I am hoping that Miss Moore can be with us again and can give us more valuable information on "Physical Fitness".

Check the temperature and ventilation of your room very often as these two contribute so much to the health of the pupil. Every classroom should have a thermometer.

There must be a Cumulative permanent record card and a health record card for each elementary pupil. They should be accessible at all times.

Every teacher should weigh, measure, and inspect the eyes of your pupils with the chart the law directs. Read your Oregon Manual for the use of the School health card.

SCHOOL PROGRAMS:

A class program is to be sent to us within three weeks after school convenes. A copy should also be posted on the classroom door.

SCHOOL REGISTER:

The School Register is an most important record and should be carefully kept. All items should be completely filled out. Use extra care with pupils. Correct birth-dates are important as these are often used at later dates. Registers should be neat and written in ink.

PENMANSHIP:

For the past few years there has been a decided slipping in hand writing skill among the pupils of our public schools in the county. Daily practice, 15 to 20 minutes actual drill with vigilant supervision is a requisite.

READING:

Make a careful check now on the reading ability of your primary pupils. How many times a day do your pupils read? If they do not read as fluently as they should, extra reading material should be given. Preferably from books they have not read. Insist on good expression and do not use markers unless it is absolutely necessary due to defective vision.

FIRE DRILLS:

It shall be the duty of the principal or other persons in charge of every public or private school or educational institution within the state, to have a fire drill at least once a month and oftener if necessary. This is according to Section 35-3502, O.S.L.

PERIODICALS:

Every school should possess three standard periodicals for school purposes.

SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS:

When a teacher finds it necessary to be absent from school, she should notify her principal. The substitute should be paid by the board and not by the teacher.

TEACHING PAPERS:

Have you registered all three of your papers with the County School Superintendent?

HEALTH CERTIFICATE

CONTRACT

TEACHER'S CERTIFICATE

TESTS:

Achievement tests will be given as before-Letter G for grades 3-5-7, California Maturity for 1 and 2. The eighth grade will have a county test at the end of the year. These tests are to be purchased by the school board.

O.E.S.

Let us report 100% for the O.S.T.A. this year. Teachers, nothing would please me better than to see the County of Clatsop with 100% listed.

FOUND:

A pair of black gloves were left in the L&C auditorium.

during the Institute. Call for them at our office.

LIBRARY:

The Clatsop County Library Bookmobile will again make monthly trips to all the County Schools during the year 1946-47. Schedules in the form of Book Marks are being used this year and have been distributed to each school. Any student or teacher who does not have one of these and would like to have one may get it at the library or from the Bookmobile.

It is urged that all teachers make use of the Bookmobile and that they come to the library in Astoria when in need of additional materials. For requests from the schools please write in to the library two weeks in advance of the next trip so that materials requested may be located and bought out on the next trip.

All teachers who wish to bring their classes into the library in a group are welcome to do so if they will please notify us of their intention in advance.

We would like to see as many students as possible obtain their own library cards and make use of them when they come to town.

Phil Blodgett, Librarian

AMERICAN JUNIOR RED CROSS:

The first two weeks in November have been designated as the time to enroll for service in the Junior Red Cross. Now is the time to appoint your teacher-sponsors, so that we may get our County organization under way. Please report the names of these teachers to the Clatsop County Red Cross Chapter, P.O. Box 26, Astoria, Oregon.

SAVINGS PROGRAM:

Plans are being made for a continuation of the Bond and Stamp Program in the schools. We would like all schools to send for their charter so this can be displayed as an indication that your school is participating in the program. Address your requests to U. S. Savings Bond

Division, 1006 American Bank Bldg., Portland 5, Oregon. Teaching aids are available in the School Savings Journal a copy of which was sent to all teachers. These aids are also listed in the October issue.

Two final reports will be required on the franked cards, one in December and the other in June.

Mrs. George Studeny, Director
School Savings Program

RADIO:

Through cooperation with Radio Station K.A.S.T. the Clatsop County Public Health Ass'n. is sponsoring a series of thirty school Health broadcasts entitled "The Boy Next Door".

They will begin next Thursday, October 17, at 1:00 P.M. and will be on the air each week at the same time. We hope the schools may listen in and use these broadcasts in developing the health program in the schools.

The transcriptions are made in the studio of K.O.A.C. and are dramatized by staff members and personnel from the college.

Mrs. Harvey Abel
Executive Secretary of
Clatsop County Public Health
Association

"Politeness is to do and say the kindest thing in the kindest way".



ANNE LEWIS
County School Supt.



